

COMMISSIONERS RECORD 50
FRANKLIN COUNTY
Commissioners' Proceedings for December 21, 2009

The Honorable Board of Franklin County Commissioners met on the above date. Present for the meeting were Rick Miller, Chairman; Bob Koch, Chair Pro Tem; and Brad Peck, Member; Fred Bowen, County Administrator; and Mary Withers, Clerk to the Board. Meeting convened at 9:00 am.

OFFICE BUSINESS

Secretary Patricia Shults met with the Board. Present in audience: Tri-City Herald Reporter Michelle Dupler and Troy Woody.

Consent Agenda

Motion - Mr. Peck: I move approval of the consent agenda for December 21, 2009, holding item #10:

1. Approval of **joint Resolution 2009-499** authorizing the Chairman of the Boards of Benton and Franklin County Commissioners to sign the Personal Services Contract between Maria Vera and the Juvenile Justice Center, providing Spanish interpreting services, effective January 1, 2010 through December 31, 2010. (Exhibit 1: Information sheet.)
2. Approval of **joint Resolution 2009-500** authorizing the Chairman of the Boards of Benton and Franklin County Commissioners to sign the Personal Services Contract between the Juvenile Justice Center and Mark Rudeen, providing Spanish interpreting services, effective January 1, 2010 through December 31, 2012. (Exhibit 2: Information sheet.)
3. Approval of **joint Resolution 2009-501** authorizing the Chairman of the Boards of Benton and Franklin County Commissioners to sign the Personal Services Contract between the Juvenile Justice Center and Stephenson Computer Consulting, providing maintenance for the Juvenile Tracking System, effective January 1, 2010 through December 31, 2012. (Exhibit 3: Information sheet.)
4. Approval of **joint Resolution 2009-502** authorizing the Chairman of the Boards of Benton and Franklin County Commissioners to sign the Contract between the Juvenile Justice Center and the Pasco School District to provide pass-through funds from MacArthur Foundation for administrative and development costs for New Horizons High School Extended Day Program, effective November 1, 2009 through December 31, 2010. (Exhibit 4: Information sheet.)
5. Approval of **joint Resolution 2009-503** authorizing the Chairman of the Boards of Benton and Franklin County Commissioners to sign the Service Agreement between the Juvenile Justice Center and BRK Management Services Inc., to

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- provide electronic monitoring services, effective January 1, 2010 through December 31, 2010. (Exhibit 5: Information sheet.)
6. Approval of **joint Resolution 2009-504** authorizing the Chairman of the Boards of Benton and Franklin County Commissioners to sign the Personal Services Contract between the Juvenile Justice Center and Washington Collectors Tri-Cities, Inc., effective January 1, 2010 through December 31, 2012. (Exhibit 6: Information sheet.)
 7. Approval of **joint Resolution 2009-505** authorizing the Chairman of the Boards of Benton and Franklin County Commissioners to sign the Personal Services Contract between the Juvenile Justice Center and Tri-Cities Maintenance & Janitorial II, effective January 1, 2010 through December 31, 2012. (Exhibit 7: Information sheet.)
 8. Approval of **joint Resolution 2009-506** authorizing the Chairman of the Boards of Benton and Franklin County Commissioners to sign the Personal Services Contract between the Juvenile Justice Center and J&J Security & Transport, Inc., effective January 1, 2010 through December 31, 2012. (Exhibit 8: Information sheet.)
 9. Approval of **Resolution 2009-507** for the Personal Services Contract amendment to provide Spanish interpreting services for Franklin County District Court, between Franklin County and Altagracia L. Mendoza, effective through December 31, 2010, thus, amending Franklin County Resolution Number 2008-290.

(Clerk's Note: Item 10 was pulled from the consent agenda.)
 10. Approval of **joint Resolution 2009-___** for Agreement #09/11-SA-NECC-00 providing substance abuse treatment services between Nueva Esperanza Counseling Center and Benton and Franklin Counties' Department of Human Services effective October 1, 2009 through June 30, 2011.
 11. Approval of **joint Resolution 2009-508** for the Personal Services Contract between Benton-Franklin Counties Juvenile Justice Center and Tri-Cities Chaplaincy, effective January 1, 2010 through December 31, 2012. (Exhibit 9: Information sheet.)
 12. Approval of **joint Resolution 2009-509** for the Personal Services Contract Amendment between the Benton and Franklin Counties Superior Courts, Juvenile Division, and Apollo Sheet Metal, effective January 1, 2010 through December 31, 2010, amending Franklin County Resolution 2007-080, which was

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- also amended by Resolutions 2008-036 and 2008-568. (Exhibit 10: Information sheet.)
13. Approval of **joint Resolution 2009-510** for the Personal Service Contract Amendment between Benton-Franklin Counties Superior Court, Juvenile Division, and Jacqueline vanWormer, extending the contract term through December 31, 2011 and amending Resolution 2008-035. (Exhibit 11: Information sheet.)
 14. Approval of **Resolution 2009-511** setting the levy amount for the regular property tax levy to be collected in 2010.
 15. Approval of **Resolution 2009-512** setting the levy amount for the County Road District tax levy to be collected in 2010.
 16. Approval of **Resolution 2009-513** for Appendix A to the Memorandum of Agreement adopted by Resolution 2007-086 between Washington State University Extension and Franklin County for the period January 1, 2010 through December 31, 2010, to provide an extension program in 2010 with funds in the amount of \$75,585. (Exhibit 12: Agenda Summary Report.)
 17. Approval of **Resolution 2009-514** authorizing the Chairman to sign the Support Contracts, Departmental Enrollment Forms, between Compu-Tech and Franklin County for Compu-Tech maintenance and support for 2010 for the County's financial system for the Auditor's Office and the Treasurer's Office. (Exhibit 13: Agenda Summary Report.)
 18. Approval for the Board to sign a Certificate of Appreciation recognizing Bruce Whitmarsh for his dedicated service on the Franklin County Board of Equalization, from October 22, 2001 through December 31, 2009. (Exhibit 14)

Second by Mr. Koch. 3:0 vote in favor.

Vouchers/Warrants

Motion – Mr. Koch: Mr. Chairman, I move for approval of vouchers for December 21, 2009, for miscellaneous funds expenditures in the amount of \$360,295.98:

Current Expense warrants 26463 through 26502 for \$23,648.30; Current Expense warrants 26503 through 26554 for \$82,580.93; Auditor O&M warrant 26555 for \$6.61; Election Equipment Revolving warrant 26556 for \$129.22; Treasurer O&M warrant 26557 for \$300.00; Growth Management warrant 26558 for \$9684.00; Crime Victims

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Witness warrants 26559 through 26560 for \$2765.41; Trial Court Improvement Fund warrant 26561 for \$701.00; Boating Safety warrant 26562 for \$202.30; Jail Commissary warrants 26563 through 26565 for \$2603.02; Dispatch/Enhanced 911 warrants 26566 through 26571 for \$5037.03; Law Library warrants 26572 through 26574 for \$5429.10; Ending Homelessness Fund warrant 26575 for \$7852.32; Capital Projects warrant 26576 for \$690.00; RV Park warrant 26577 for \$80,000.00; Current Expense warrants 26578 through 26647 for \$134,051.40; Veteran's Assistance warrants 26648 through 26650 for \$880.00; and Law Library warrants 26651 through 26652 for \$3735.34.

Second by Mr. Peck. 3:0 vote in favor. (Exhibit 15)

TRAC (9:20 am)

TRAC Manager Troy Woody met with the Board.

Public Hearing: To take testimony for and against increasing the revenue and expenditure bottom lines of the 2009 Miscellaneous Franklin County RV Facility Fund #450-000-001 by \$100,000, increasing the revenue and expenditure bottom lines from \$261,400 to \$361,400, due to increased revenue received and expenditures needed for the Franklin County RV Facility.

Public Hearing convened at 9:20 am. Present: Commissioners Miller, Koch and Peck; County Administrator Fred Bowen; TRAC Manager Troy Woody; and Clerk to the Board Mary Withers. Present in audience: Sharon Paradis and Michelle Dupler.

Mr. Woody explained the request for a budget change.

No one in the audience had comments.

Motion – Mr. Peck: I move we increase the revenue and expenditure bottom lines of the 2009 Miscellaneous Franklin County RV Facility Fund by \$100,000 from \$261,400 to \$361,400. Second by Mr. Koch. 3:0 vote in favor. This is Resolution 2009-515.

Event Update

Mr. Woody gave a brief update about recent and upcoming events.

JUVENILE JUSTICE CENTER (JJC) (9:26 am)

JJC Director Sharon Paradis met with the Board.

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Detention Department – Electrical System Replacement

Ms. Paradis explained her request for a supplement to the 2010 JJC budget for electrical system replacement work. She explained why it has been delayed from 2009 into the 2010 budget year.

OTHER BUSINESS (9:37 am)

Final Approval Short Plat SP 2008-19, David and Anita Freeman

Motion – Mr. Koch: I move for final approval of Short Plat 2008-19 for David and Anita Freeman. Second by Mr. Peck. 3:0 vote in favor. This is Resolution 2009-516.

Letter regarding McNary Shoreline Pool/McNary Shoreline Management Plan

Mr. Peck told the Board members he has sent a letter on county letterhead signed by him individually to senators and a representative regarding the McNary Shoreline Management Plan.

The Board discussed whether an individual county commissioner has authority to send correspondence on county letterhead. Mr. Peck asked Mr. Bowen to check with legal counsel. (9:38 am)

PUBLIC WORKS (9:51 am)

Engineer Tim Fife met with the Board.

Vouchers/Warrants

Motion – Mr. Peck: I move approval of County vouchers for the County Road Fund, Motor Vehicle and Public Works Equipment Fund and Solid Waste Fund in the total amount of \$255,113.03:

County Road Fund for \$218,078.35; MV and PW Equipment Fund for \$39,982.29; and Solid Waste Fund for \$2052.39.

Second by Mr. Koch. 3:0 vote in favor. (Exhibit 16)

Draft Letter to County Road Administration Board (CRAB) regarding Rural Arterial Program (RAP)

The Board decided to send a letter to Jay Weber at CRAB asking for adjustments in funding order for Pasco-Kahlotus Road 1, R-170 Road and Dent Road projects. (Exhibit 17)

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COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR (10:07 am)

County Administrator Fred Bowen, Information Services Director Kevin Scott and Dispatch Supervisor Ed Bush met with the Board.

Procedure regarding letters from Board on County Commissioner stationery

Mr. Bowen said the county attorney can think of no legal reason that a commissioner cannot use county letterhead as a county commissioner.

Mr. Peck said a commissioner who is signing on behalf of the whole board can state that either in the body of the letter or on the signature line.

Information Services: New position, Communications Engineer

Mr. Scott requested approval of a new position in Information Services called Communications Engineer. The person filling the position will manage both the radio and microwave systems. It is part of the 911 system. In the past we've had to rely on vendors to do the work. The position has been reviewed and approved by the Salary Classification Committee.

Executive Session at 10:17 am based on RCW 42.13.110(1)(g). Ms. Dupler left the meeting.

Open Session at 10:29 am. Michelle Dupler rejoined the audience.

In answer to a question, Mr. Bush answered questions regarding the funding sources.

Motion – Mr. Koch: I move for approval of Resolution 2009-517, approval of Franklin County personnel division request for a communication engineer. Second by Mr. Peck. 3:0 vote in favor.

Mr. Scott and Mr. Bush left the meeting.

Budget Transfer: 480 Volt Kitchen Heater

Mr. Bowen received a request this morning to approve installation of a heater in the Corrections Center (jail) kitchen. He answered the Board's questions about the current heating situation, the replacement heating system, and the cost.

Motion – Mr. Peck: Mr. Chair, I would move that we authorize Facilities to purchase and install a heater in Franklin County Corrections Center kitchen, create a line item, and

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authorize an inter budget transfer, all as presented in the resolution before us. Second by Mr. Koch. Mr. Koch questioned why the Board did not have the request prior to the Board meeting. Mr. Bowen explained it is a safety issue. 3:0 vote in favor.

Board Procedures

All three Board members expressed their desire that items requiring Board review and/or approval be submitted in the appropriate manner prior to Board meetings.

Human Services: Administrative Oversight of Affordable Housing and Homeless Housing Funds

Mr. Bowen gave the Board a copy of a letter from the Human Services Department asking for administrative fees to handle the oversight of the Affordable Housing and Homeless Housing funds.

OTHER BUSINESS (10:43 am)

Columbia Basin Development League

Mr. Miller has received a request for payment of membership fees from Columbia Basin Development League. He would like to support the Columbia Basin Development League and feels it is a benefit to Franklin County. Mr. Peck said I think it's a great organization but it's a lobby organization and it is illegal for us to spend money for those lobbying activities/organizations. Mr. Miller asked if the Ground Water Management Area (GWMA) would be the same. Mr. Peck does not think it is the same as GWMA. Mr. Koch asked about the work done for the county by Jim Potts. Mr. Peck said Jim Potts' work is allowed under the RCW because we're allowed to spend funds for informational purposes.

Mr. Peck suggested that any time the Board receives requests for membership fees, legal counsel should review the request.

Adjourned at 10:51 am.

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There being no further business, the Franklin County Board of Commissioners meeting was adjourned until December 30, 2009.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
FRANKLIN COUNTY, WASHINGTON

Chairman

Chairman Pro Tem

Member

Attest:

Clerk to the Board

Approved and signed December 30, 2009.